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Amendments to the Claims:

The following listing of claims replaces all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently amended) An article of manufacture for conveying information regarding a football game between two teams, comprising:

a substrate;

a plurality of symbols rendered on the substrate along a path representing at least a portion of a drive by one of the two teams, [[and]]

the plurality of symbols representing at least two distinct and individual plays that occurred during the drive such that each of the at least two distinct and individual plays can be distinguished from one another[[.]],

the plurality of symbols including a plurality of line segments, each of the plurality of line segments representing a corresponding one of the at least two plays, and

the plurality of line segments including different types of the line segments to represent different types of plays.

2. (Currently amended) The article of manufacture as claimed in claim 1, further comprising a plurality of lines, rendered on

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the substrate, representing marked yard lines of a football field on which the football game was or is being played[, and wherein positions of the plurality of symbols with respect to the plurality of parallel lines correspond to yard lines of the football field at which each of the at least two plays began and ended].

3. (Currently amended) The article of manufacture as claimed in claim 2, wherein [the plurality of symbols includes a plurality of line segments,] each of the plurality of line segments [representing a corresponding one of the at least two plays and extending] extends between positions on the substrate with respect to the plurality of parallel lines, corresponding to yard lines on the football field at which the one of the at least two plays began and ended.

4. (Canceled)

5. (Previously presented) The article of manufacture as claimed in claim 1, further comprising additional symbols rendered on the substrate so that the plurality of symbols and the additional symbols together represent all plays that occurred during at least a quarter of the football game, the plurality of symbols and the additional symbols representing the plays that

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occurred during the quarter such that each of the plays can be distinguished from the others of the plays.

6. (Previously presented) The article of manufacture as claimed in claim 1, further comprising additional symbols rendered on the substrate so that the plurality of symbols and the additional symbols together represent all plays that occurred during at least a half of the football game, the plurality of symbols and the additional symbols representing the plays that occurred during the half such that each of the plays can be distinguished from the others of the plays.

7. (Previously presented) The article of manufacture as claimed in claim 1, further comprising additional symbols rendered on the substrate so that the plurality of symbols and the additional symbols together represent all plays that occurred during the entire football game, the plurality of symbols [and the additional symbols representing the plays that occurred during the football game such that each of the plays can be distinguished from the others of the plays.

8. (Original) The article of manufacture as claimed in claim 1, wherein the plurality of symbols identifies at least one player that was involved in each of the at least two plays.

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9. (Original) The article of manufacture as claimed in claim 8, wherein the plurality of symbols identifies at least one player that was responsible for moving the football on the football field during each of the at least two plays.

10. (Canceled)

11. (Presently amended) The article of manufacture as claimed in claim 1 ~~[[10]]~~, wherein the plurality of line segments are joined end-to-end to form a drive line representing the drive.

12. (Canceled)

13. (Presently amended) The article of manufacture as claimed in claim 1, further including additional symbols rendered on the substrate that indicate results, if any, of each of the at least two ~~[[10]]~~ plays.

14. (Currently amended) An apparatus for producing an article of manufacture that conveys information regarding a football game between two teams, comprising:

a printing device configured to render a plurality of symbols along a path representing at least a portion of a drive by one of the two teams, ~~[[and]]~~

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the plurality of symbols representing at least two distinct and individual plays that occurred during the drive such that each of the at least two distinct and individual plays can be distinguished from one another[[]],

the plurality of symbols including a plurality of line segments, each of the plurality of line segments representing a corresponding one of the at least two plays, and

the printing device is configured to render different types of line segments on the substrate to represent different types of plays.

15. (Currently amended) The apparatus as claimed in claim 14, wherein the printing device is configured to render a plurality of parallel lines on the substrate representing marked yard lines of a football field on which the football game was or is being played[, and to render the plurality of symbols with respect to the plurality of parallel lines correspond to yard lines of the football field at which each of the at least two plays began and ended].

16. (Currently amended) The apparatus as claimed in claim 15, wherein [the printing device is configured to render the[plurality of symbols as a plurality of line segments,] each of the plurality of line segments [representing a corresponding one of the at least

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two plays and extending] extends between positions on the substrate, with respect to the plurality of parallel lines, corresponding to yard lines on the football field at which the one of the at least two plays began and ended.

17. (Canceled)

18. (Original) The apparatus as claimed in claim 14, wherein the printing device is configured to render additional symbols on the substrate so that the plurality of symbols [and the additional symbols together represent all plays that occurred during at least a quarter of the football game, the plurality of symbols and the additional symbols representing the plays that occurred during the quarter such that each of the plays can be distinguished from the others of the plays.

19. (Original) The apparatus as claimed in claim 14, wherein the printing device is configured to render additional symbols on the substrate so that the plurality of symbols and the additional symbols together represent all plays that occurred during at least a half of the football game, the plurality of symbols and the additional symbols representing the plays that occurred during the half such that each of the plays can be distinguished from the others of the plays.

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20. (Original) The apparatus as claimed in claim 14, wherein the printing device is configured to render additional symbols on the substrate so that the plurality of symbols and the additional symbols together represent all plays that occurred during the entire football game, the plurality of symbols and the additional symbols representing the plays that occurred during the football game such that each of the plays can be distinguished from the others of the plays.

21. (Original) The apparatus as claimed in claim 14, wherein the printing device is configured to render the plurality of symbols on the substrate such that at least one player is identified on the substrate that was involved in each of the at least two plays.

22. (Original) The apparatus as claimed in claim 14, wherein the printing device is configured to render the plurality of symbols on the substrate such that at least one player is identified on the substrate that was responsible for moving the football on the football field during each of the at least two plays.

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24. (Currently amended) The apparatus as claimed in claim 14 ~~[[23]]~~, wherein the printing device is configured to render the plurality of line segments on the substrate so that the plurality of line segments are joined end-to-end to form a drive line representing the drive.

25. (Canceled)

26. (Original) The apparatus as claimed in claim 14, wherein the printing device is configured to render additional symbols on the substrate that indicate results, if any, of each of the at least two plays.

27. (Presently amended) A computer-implemented method for rendering a diagram representing a football game between two teams, comprising a step of:

(a) in response to information input to a processor regarding at least two distinct and individual plays in a drive by one the two teams,

rendering a plurality of symbols on at least one of a display and a substrate of a printing device, the plurality of symbols being rendered along a path representing at least a portion of a drive by one of the two teams, ~~[[and]]~~

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representing the at least two distinct and individual plays such that each of the at least two plays can be distinguished from one another[[]].

the plurality of symbols including a plurality of line segments, each of the plurality of line segments representing a corresponding one of the at least two plays, and

the plurality of line segments including different types of line segments to represent different types of plays.

28. (Currently amended) The computer-implemented method as claimed in claim 27, wherein the method further includes a step of:

(b) rendering a plurality of parallel lines on the at least one of the display and the substrate of the printing device, the plurality of parallel lines representing marked yard lines of a football field on which the football game was or is being played[, and

the step (a) includes a step of rendering the plurality of symbols on the at least one of the display and the substrate of the printing device such that positions of the plurality of symbols with respect to the plurality of parallel lines correspond to yard lines of the football field at which each of the at least two plays began and ended].

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29. (Currently amended) The computer-implemented method as claimed in claim 27, wherein [the step (a) includes a step of rendering a plurality of line segments on the at least one of the display and the substrate of the printing device,] each of the plurality of line segments [representing a corresponding one of the at least two plays and extending] extends between positions on the at least one of the display and the substrate of the printing device, with respect to the plurality of parallel lines, corresponding to yard lines on the football field at which the one of the at least two plays began and ended.

30. (Canceled)

31. (Original) The computer-implemented method as claimed in claim 27, further including a step of:

(b) rendering additional symbols on the at least one of the display and the substrate of the printing device so that the plurality of symbols and the additional symbols together represent all plays that occurred during at least a quarter of the football game, the plurality of symbols and the additional symbols representing the plays that occurred during the quarter such that each of the plays can be distinguished from the others of the plays.

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32. (Original) The computer-implemented method as claimed in claim 27, further including a step of:

(b) rendering additional symbols on the at least one of the display and the substrate of the printing device so that the plurality of symbols and the additional symbols together represent all plays that occurred during at least a half of the football game, the plurality of symbols and the additional symbols representing the plays that occurred during the half such that each of the plays can be distinguished from the others of the plays.

33. (Original) The computer-implemented method as claimed in claim 27, further including a step of:

(b) rendering additional symbols on the at least one of the display and the substrate of the printing device so that the plurality of symbols and the additional symbols together represent all plays that occurred during the entire football game, the plurality of symbols and the additional symbols representing the plays that occurred during the football game such that each of the plays can be distinguished from the others of the plays.

34. (Original) The computer-implemented method as claimed in claim 27, wherein the step (a) includes a step of:

(a1) rendering the plurality of symbols on the at least one of the display and the substrate of the printing device so as to

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identify at least one player that was involved in each of the at least two plays.

35. (Original) The computer-implemented method as claimed in claim 27, wherein the step (a) includes a step of rendering the plurality of symbols on the at least one of the display and the substrate of the printing device so as to identify at least one player that was responsible for moving the football on the football field during each of the at least two plays.

36. (Canceled)

37. (Currently amended) The computer-implemented method as claimed in claim 27 [[36]], wherein the step (a1) includes a step of joining the plurality of line segments end-to-end to form a drive line representing the drive.

38. (Canceled)

39. (Original) The computer-implemented method as claimed in claim 27, further including a step of:

(b) rendering additional symbols on the at least one of the display and the substrate of the printing device that indicate results, if any, of each of the at least two plays.

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40. (Original) The computer-implemented method as claimed in claim 28, further including a step of:

(c) in response to a user identifying a location on the display, with respect to the plurality of parallel lines, corresponding to a location on the football field at which one of the at least two plays ended, displaying a user-input screen to a user that permits the user to input information to the processor regarding the one of the at least two plays.

41. (Currently amended) A computer-readable medium for use with a processor, the medium having a plurality of instructions stored thereon which, when executed by the processor, cause the processor to perform a step of:

(a) in response to information input to the processor regarding at least ~~[[three]]~~ two distinct and individual plays in a drive by a football team,

causing a plurality of symbols to be rendered on at least one of a display and a substrate of a printing device, the plurality of symbols being rendered along a path representing at least a portion of the drive by one of the two teams, ~~[[and]]~~

representing the at least ~~[[three]]~~ two distinct and individual plays such that each of the at least ~~[[three]]~~ two distinct and individual plays can be distinguished from one another~~[[.]]~~.

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causing a plurality of line segments to be rendered on the at least one of the display and the substrate of the printing device, each of the plurality of line segments representing a corresponding one of the at least two plays, and

causing different types of line segments to be rendered on the at least one of the display and the substrate of the printing device to represent different types of plays.

42. (Currently amended) The computer-readable medium as claimed in claim 41, wherein:

the plurality of instructions stored on the computer-readable medium, when executed by the processor, cause the processor to perform a step of (b) causing a plurality of parallel lines to be rendered on the at least one of the display and the substrate of the printing device, the plurality of parallel lines representing marked yard lines of a football field on which the football game was or is being played[, and

the step (a) includes a step of causing the plurality of symbols to be rendered on the at least one of the display and the substrate of the printing device such that positions of the plurality of symbols with respect to the plurality of parallel lines correspond to yard lines of the football field at which each of the at least two plays began and ended].

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43. (Currently amended) The computer-readable medium as claimed in claim 42, wherein the step (a) includes a step of:

causing [a plurality of line segments to be rendered on the at least one of the display and the substrate of the printing device,] each of the plurality of line segments [representing a corresponding one of the at least two plays and extending] to extend between positions on the at least one of the display and the substrate of the printing device, with respect to the plurality of parallel lines, corresponding to yard lines on the football field at which the one of the at least two plays began and ended.

44. (Canceled)

45. (Original) The computer-readable medium as claimed in claim 41, wherein the plurality of instructions stored on the computer-readable medium, when executed by the processor, cause the processor to perform a step of:

(b) causing additional symbols to be rendered on the at least one of the display and the substrate of the printing device so that the plurality of symbols and the additional symbols together represent all plays that occurred during at least a quarter of the football game, the plurality of symbols and the additional symbols representing the plays that occurred during

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the quarter such that each of the plays can be distinguished from the others of the plays.

46. (Previously presented) The computer-readable medium as claimed in claim 41, wherein the plurality of instructions stored on the computer-readable medium, when executed by the processor, cause the processor to perform a further step of:

(b) causing additional symbols to be rendered on the at least one of the display and the substrate of the printing device so that the plurality of symbols and the additional symbols together represent all plays that occurred during at least a half of the football game, the plurality of symbols and the additional symbols representing the plays that occurred during the half such that each of the plays can be distinguished from the others of the plays.

47. (Previously presented) The computer-readable medium as claimed in claim 41, wherein the plurality of instructions stored on the computer-readable medium, when executed by the processor, cause the processor to perform a further step of:

(b) causing additional symbols to be rendered on the at least one of the display and the substrate of the printing device so that the plurality of symbols and the additional symbols together represent all plays that occurred during the entire

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football game, the plurality of symbols and the additional symbols representing the plays that occurred during the football game such that each of the plays can be distinguished from the others of the plays.

48. (Original) The computer-readable medium as claimed in claim 41, wherein the step (a) includes a step of causing the plurality of symbols to be rendered on the at least one of the display and the substrate of the printing device so as to identify at least one player that was involved in each of the at least two plays.

49. (Original) The computer-readable medium as claimed in claim 41, wherein the step (a) includes a step of causing the plurality of symbols to be rendered on the at least one of the display and the substrate of the printing device so as to identify at least one player that was responsible for moving the football on the football field during each of the at least two plays.

50. (Canceled)

51. (Currently amended) The computer-readable medium as claimed in claim 41 ~~[[50]]~~, wherein the step (a1) includes a step

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of causing the plurality of line segments to be joined end-to-end to form a drive line representing the drive.

52. (Canceled)

53. (Previously presented) The computer-readable medium as claimed in claim 41, wherein the plurality of instructions stored on the computer-readable medium, when executed by the processor, cause the processor to perform a further step of:

(b) causing additional symbols to be rendered on the at least one of the display and the substrate of the printing device that indicate results, if any, of each of the at least two plays

54. (Previously presented) The computer-readable medium as claimed in claim 42, wherein the plurality of instructions stored on the computer-readable medium, when executed by the processor, cause the processor to perform a further step of:

(c) in response to a user identifying a location on the display, with respect to the plurality of lines, corresponding to a location on the football field at which one of the at least two plays ended, displaying a user-input screen to a user that permits the user to input information to the processor regarding the one of the at least two plays.

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55. (Currently amended) An apparatus for rendering a diagram representing a football game between two teams, comprising:

means, responsive to information input by a user regarding at least two distinct and individual plays in a drive by one of the teams, for rendering a plurality of symbols on at least one of a display and a substrate of a printing device, the plurality of symbols being rendered along a path representing at least a portion of the drive by one of the two teams; [[and]]

means for representing the at least two distinct and individual plays such that each of the at least two distinct and individual plays can be distinguished from one another[[]].

the plurality of symbols including a plurality of line segments, each of the plurality of line segments representing a corresponding one of the at least two plays, and

the plurality of line segments including different types of the line segments to represent different types of plays.

56. (Original) The apparatus as claimed in claim 55, further including means for inputting the information regarding the at least two plays.

57-60. Canceled.

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61. (Currently amended) A method for displaying information to a user regarding a football game between two teams, the user being presented with a plurality of symbols rendered along a path representing at least two distinct and individual plays of a portion of a drive by one of the two teams, the method comprising the steps of:

(a) in response to the user identifying at least one of the plurality of symbols, identifying the user's data input,

(b) processing the user's data input, [[and]]

(c) displaying information regarding at least one play represented by the identified at least one of the plurality of symbols[[]], and

(d) in response to the user identifying the at least one of the plurality of symbols, displaying a video replay of the at least one play represented by the identified at least one of the plurality of symbols.

62-66. (Canceled)

67. (Currently amended) A computer-implemented method for rendering a diagram representing a football game between two teams, comprising steps of:

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(a) rendering a single representation of a football field on which the game was played on at least one of a display and a substrate of a printing device; [[and]]

(b) in response to information input by a user regarding drives of the football game, rendering a plurality of symbols on the at least one of the display and the substrate of the printing device within the single representation of the football field that represent all drives that occurred during at least a half of the football game[[.]],

(c) the plurality of symbols including a plurality of line segments, each of the plurality of line segments representing a corresponding one of the at least two plays, and

the plurality of line segments including different types of line segments to represent different types of plays.

68. (Previously presented) The computer-implemented method as claimed in claim 67, wherein the step (b) includes a step of rendering the plurality of symbols on the at least one of the display and the substrate of the printing device so as to represent all drives that occurred during the entire football game.

69. (Previously presented) The computer-implemented method as claimed in claim 67, wherein the step (a) includes a step of:

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(a1) rendering an altered representation of the football field such that a ratio of a width of the representation of the football field to a length of the representation of the football field is greater than a ratio of a width of the football field on which the football game was played to a length of the football field on which the game was played.

70. (Previously presented) The computer-implemented method as claimed in claim 69, wherein the step (a1) includes a step of rendering the representation of the football field such that its width is at least as great as its length.

71. (Currently amended) A system for displaying information regarding a football game between two teams to a user, comprising:

a) first means for displaying a plurality of symbols to the user, the plurality of symbols being displayed along a path representing at least a portion of a drive by one of the two teams; [[and]]

b) second means, responsive to the user identifying at least one of the plurality of symbols, for displaying information regarding at least one play represented by the identified at least one of the plurality of symbols[[.]], and

the second means including means, responsive to the user identifying the at least one of the plurality of symbols, for

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displaying a video replay of the at least one play represented by the identified at least one of the plurality of symbols.

72. (Canceled)

73. (Currently amended) A computer-readable medium for use with a processor, the medium having a plurality of instructions stored thereon which, when executed by the processor, cause the processor to perform steps of:

(a) causing a plurality of symbols to be rendered on a display along a path representing at least a portion of a drive of a football game between two teams; [[and]]

(b) in response to the user identifying at least one of the plurality of symbols, causing information to be displayed regarding at least one play represented by the identified at least one of the plurality of symbols[[.]], and

(c) in response to the user identifying the at least one of the plurality of symbols, causing a video replay of the at least one play represented by the identified at least one of the plurality of symbols to be displayed.

74. (Canceled)